



April 25, 2006

Dear Drop Ship Subscribers:

Effective May 21, 2006, the Drop Ship product will become the Drop Entry Point System (DEPS). A component of Facility Access and Shipment Tracking (FAST), DEPS will replace the existing USPS Drop Ship Web application which is used to manage drop shipment redirections at the 3-digit ZIP Code, 5-digit ZIP Code, and 5-digit ZIP Code + Carrier Route ID levels.

The July 2006 Drop Ship Product CD will be the last fulfillment of the existing Drop Ship Product by the National Customer Support Center. Beginning in August 2006, the drop ship information will need to be obtained from DEPS at <https://fast.usps.gov/fast/>.

Among many enhancements, DEPS introduces the ability to redirect mail to multiple destinations and to choose the duration of those redirections. As a result, the ZIP/CIN File will be replaced with the new DEPS ZIP/CIN File in May 2006. In July 2006, the file will be created weekly and will be available for download online in FAST along with the rest of the DEPS files.

The DEPS ZIP/CIN File format will include:

- Effective start and end dates for both default and redirect records
- Redirections that are current or slated to begin in the future
- Multiple redirections per CIN, ZIP, CRID, and Discount and Pallet Codes
- NASS Codes for each facility, when available

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact our Customer Care department at 800-238-3150.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janice E. Caldwell".

Janice E. Caldwell  
Manager, Address Management